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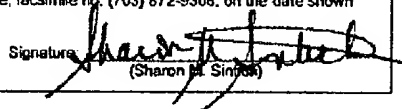
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For: METHOD OF PROMOTING STEM CELL  
PROLIFERATION OR SURVIVAL BY  
CONTACTING A CELL WITH A CELL  
FACTOR-LIKE POLYPEPTIDE

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.312

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Dear Sir:

A Notice of Allowance was mailed in the above-identified application on July 6, 2004. This amendment is a request to change the title of this application.

**Amendment to the Title** begins at page 2.

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**AMENDMENT TO THE TITLE**

Please replace the title with the following new title.

METHOD OF PROMOTING STEM CELL PROLIFERATION OR SURVIVAL BY  
CONTACTING A CELL WITH A STEM CELL FACTOR-LIKE POLYPEPTIDE